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In re Application of  
Lawrence Larson et al.  
Application No. 09/595,508  
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**ON PETITION**

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed November 13, 2003, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is GRANTED.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to timely pay the issue fee. In an application or patent, abandoned or lapsed for failure to pay the issue fee or any portion thereof, the required reply must be the payment of the issue fee or any outstanding balance thereof. See MPEP 711.03(c)(III)(A)(1). Therefore, the filing of a continuing application is not a proper reply under 37 CFR 1.137(a)(1) or (b)(1). In view of the authorization contained in the petition to charge any additional fees due, the \$665 issue fee will be charged to Deposit Account No. 07-2069.

Petitioner is advised that the issue fee paid in the above-identified application cannot be refunded. If, however, the above-identified application is again allowed, petitioner may request that it be applied towards the issue fee required by the new Notice of Allowance.

The application is being forwarded to Technology Center AU 2683.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Latrice Bond at (703) 308-6911.

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